

MUNICIPAL COURT.

Several Arrests For Minor Offences During The Past Week.

The following is a resume of the police court business before Judge Bates for the week ending last night:—
 State vs Charles Fredericks. Complaint by grand juror for intoxication. Fine \$5 with costs, \$7.29 and alternative sentence 10 days in Bennington jail. Mitimus issued May 16.
 State vs M. F. Budd. Complaint by grand juror for intoxication. Fine \$5 and costs \$7.79. Fine and costs paid.
 State vs Fred Bartlett. Complaint by grand juror for breach of peace. Fine \$5 and costs \$9.79. Fine and costs paid May 18.
 State vs Fred Bartlett. Complaint by grand juror for intoxication. Entered nolle pro.
 State vs Edward McGee. Complaint by grand juror for intoxication. Fine \$5 with costs \$7.63. Fine and costs paid May 19.
 State vs Andrew Christianson. Complaint by corporation attorney for breach of peace. Fine \$5 and costs \$9.29. Fine and costs paid May 19.
 State vs Andrew Christianson. Complaint by corporation attorney for intoxication. Entered nolle pro.
 State vs Charles Case. Complaint by corporation attorney for intoxication. Fine \$5 and costs \$8.29. Fine and costs paid May 20.

MISS ADAH E. BARBER.

An Appreciative Sketch of a Woman of Great Ability.

The Brattleboro Phoenix prints the following obituary of Miss Adah E. Barber, the much esteemed sister of Hon O. M. Barber of this village:—
 "The friends of Miss Adah E. Barber were saddened to hear of her sudden death from heart disease on Tuesday, May 5, in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was in the employ of John G. Hudson, attorney, and, though not ill, she was, at the time of her death, taking a brief rest from her office work. Her body was taken to Vermont by her brother, Hon O. M. Barber of Bennington, and funeral services were held the following Sunday in the Methodist church in Wardsboro, Revs Campbell of that place and Royal of Townshend officiating.
 "Miss Barber was born in 1859, and her girlhood was spent in Wardsboro, until she left home to take a course of study in Leland & Gray Seminary. She ranked well as a scholar, and was graduated in the class of 1882. Following her graduation she entered upon a career of several years as teacher, and nowhere was she more successful, better appreciated, or more useful than in the public schools of Townshend, and adjoining towns. Energetic, forceful, practical always, the school-room afforded just the place for the exhibition of that remarkable originality and splendid executive ability which she possessed.
 "Failing health warned her to seek different employment, and after an interval of preparation she spent several years as stenographer in the office of ex-Gov Page at Hyde Park. Again seeking less arduous work she opened a drug store in Townshend, only to abandon the business by suffering loss by fire. A few months later she resumed her former occupation. For a year or more she was in the Bennington Banner office and closed a long period of efficient work in Vermont in the office of her brother.
 "Hers was a unique personality. She was nothing if not intense. Whatever of truth she grasped must be lived in speech and actions. Friends always enjoyed her letters, so terse, quaint and original; so kind, cheerful and helpful in spirit. Chary of affection, she was yet loving and well beloved, and it was inevitable that kind words of appreciation of her character should reach us from the distant city home.
 "From the beginning of her student life until the day of her death her interests and sympathies were with the church of God. A member of the Baptist church of Townshend, that church and Sunday school, with those in other places where she was located, will testify to her devotion and to the value of her services. During the latter part of her life it was her ambition to be a Christian worker in a more special way, and she studied for a time in Nyack, N. Y., in preparation for such work. Leaving Nyack she went to Cincinnati, and there her earthly history closes. Mr Royal referred to her as one who endured as seeing Him who is invisible. Couple this thought with the one that she lived to minister and not to be ministered unto, and the mainspring of all her activities is revealed."

The Rev. C. H. Peck of North Bennington will be one of the speakers at the annual convention of the Rutland County Y. P. S. C. E., to be held in Pittsford Saturday of this week.

CASES SET FOR TRIAL.

Docket for the Coming Term of County Court.

ROGERS MURDER CASE.

Is the Only One of Any Great Public Interest Court Convenes June Second at Manchester.

The following are the civil cases set for trial by jury at the term of county court which opens at Manchester June 2nd:

For trial Tuesday—first day: Chas. Fraser Es. vs John Torrence. Levi H. Nichols vs. Albert Hewitt. Levi H. Nichols vs. John Raedel. Levi H. Nichols vs. Paul Raedel. Levi H. Nichols vs. Fordis Harris. Edw. Morris, Ellen H. Morris vs. Celia de Notbeck. Seth L. Warner vs. Walter L. Hunt. Robert I. Hatchelder. Berkshire Mercantile Agency Apt. vs. Colvin & Houghton. W. G. Froedley vs. Gilman B. Wilmon. G. B. Wilson vs. Wm. G. Freedley. Factory Pt. Nat. Bank Tr. Horace B. Ward vs. Eugene Sargood. T. P. Howell & Co. Apt. vs. Readsboro Chair Mfg. Co. Alvin J. Davis pro am vs. John Langford et al. Mettewee Cheese Association vs. Ernest Danforth Apt. Adolphus Reault vs. L. E. May, F. C. A., Factory Pt. Nat'l Bank, George May, F. C. A. Mary J. McNally vs. Wm. Lincoln. Fannie E. Mulier, Admrs. Apt. vs. Weston Prindle. A. C. Lamarr & Company Apt. vs. Eugene Belisle. Frederick Godfrey, collector, vs. Bennington Water Company & Trs. G. W. Herriek & Company vs. John Evans. Morse & Rogers vs. Joseph A. Evans & Tr. Douglass Shoe Company vs. Joseph A. Evans & Tr. Terhuus Shoe Company vs. Joseph A. Evans & Tr. Dorset vs. West Rutland Henry S. Niles et ux vs. Newman Harrington. In re Lucy H. Sheldon. Mettewee Cheese Association vs. Town of Rupert Apt. Factory Pt. Nat'l Bk vs. Brady Bros. S. L. Griffith vs. L. A. Bradley. Silas L. Griffith, Eugene McIntyre vs. L. A. Bradley. Henry Douglass et al. Apt. vs. Acme Road Machinery Company. The court calendar is as follows: John H. Savery vs. American Wringer Company Apt. Nathan F. Smith vs. Town of Bennington. Albany Belting and Supply Company vs. Vail Light and Lumber Company Henry Knights et al vs. Town of Woodford. Jerome Still vs. Eugene Sargood Apt. Berkshire Mercantile Agency Apt. vs. Colvin and Houghton. Seneca S. Clemons vs. Bridget Sullivan. Bernard G. Surdam vs. Unity Col. lar and Cuff Company and Tr. Carrie W. Goldsmith vs. Rudolph O. Goldsmith. Birch Bros. vs. Stark Paper Company. Iola R. Mallory vs. Chas. H. Mallory. Wm. Hurd vs. Webster Soap Mfg Company. G. M. Farnsworth. John Evans vs. Joseph A. Evans. In re, Est of Hattie L. Mattison, Wm. E. Mattison Apt., Byron Mattison Apt. Elijah Dewey vs. Lavine H. Woodward. Elijah Dewey vs. William D. New ton. Fred L. Mattison vs. Joseph Tessier. A. Godbout vs. A. C. Lamarr Company. F. R. Eggleston vs. Frank H. Goodwin Apt. Fayette Griffith vs. Frank H. Goodwin. Hattie B. Cox vs. George O. Cox. D. Mackay et al vs. Davis Mining and Developing Company. Rudolph O. Goldsmith vs. Carrie W. Goldsmith. Jacob Jensen vs. Rose Jensen. Burt Peters vs. Carrie E. Peters. Benjamin F. Duan vs. Catherine E. Duan. Ida Tiffany vs. Eli Tiffany. Geo. W. Stanley vs. Nellie M. Stanley. Louis Vandenburg vs. Fannie Van-

derburg. The criminal cases already on the docket are: State vs. M. G. Danforth Apt. State vs. Miles Welch Apt. State vs. Guy Lake. State vs. Ernest Danforth Apt. State vs. Thos. Canedy et al Apt. State vs. George Myers Apt. Other criminal cases will be docketed when the grand jury reports. The grand jury assembles June 2 and will probably be in session for a week or more.

ARRESTED AT MANCHESTER.

Young Man Hired a Team and Neglected to Take It Back.

Irving Stockwell of Gloverville, who claimed to be a West Point cadet home on a furlough, was arrested at Manchester Center last Wednesday evening, charged with stealing a horse from C. W. Crippen & Sons of Fair Haven. During the evening C. R. Ames of Manchester Center received a telephone message describing the horse and driver, who is wearing a cadet uniform. The young man was found at the Coburn house, Manchester Center, and arrested by constable F. D. Giddings. Mr Crippen was in Manchester Center Thursday and offered to settle with Stockwell for \$25, but the latter had no money with which to pay. Mr Crippen says that Stockwell left a rig in another stable at Fair Haven, which had been hired in another place several days before. He was locked up in jail where he remained until Thursday afternoon, when a distant relative residing in Manchester paid the \$25 for him. Before leaving Manchester it was learned that Stockwell was not a cadet from West Point.

CONGO' CONVENTION.

The 108th Annual Meeting to be Held at Burlington.

The 108th annual meeting of the Congregational Convention of Vermont will be held in the College Street Church, Burlington, June 9 to 11. The Vermont Domestic Missionary Society and the Women's Home Missionary Union will hold their annual meeting at the same time and place. A program of marked excellence has been prepared. The general theme is "The Work of Christian Evangelism by the Congregational Churches of Vermont." Among the special subjects to be discussed are: "The Modern Man," "Ordinary Evangelizing Methods," "The Gospel to be Preached," "What is the 'Good News' Today?" and "What Is It to be a Christian?" Rev Dr C. H. Merrill of St Johnsbury will preside, and Rev Dr E. M. Chapman of the same place will be convention preacher.

CHARMING RECEPTION.

Given by Mrs Arthur J. Holden in Honor of Her Mother.

Mrs Arthur J. Holden gave a reception last Saturday at her charming home at Bennington Center in honor of her mother, Mrs John Coleman of California. A large number of ladies from both villages were present, and all were pleased to meet Mrs Coleman, who is a former Benningtonian, being the daughter of the late Simeon Sibley. Mrs Holden and Mrs Coleman received the guests in the library which was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, and the whole house was handsomely arranged, the dining room having a profusion of yellow flowers. Mrs Everett Harwood and Miss Lulu Holden presided at the refreshment table. Miss Harriet Harwood, Miss Beach, Mrs Edward Huling and Miss Harriet Sibley assisted in serving the choice refreshments.

MRS. SUSAN A. BLAKE.

Aged Woman Former Resident of Bennington Dead.

Mrs Susan A. Blake died Sunday, May 17, at the home of her daughter in Gardner, Mass., at the age of 91. Mrs Blake was well known here, the greater part of her life having been spent in this village. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs D. E. Poland of Gardner, Mass., and Mrs Isaac T. Pratt of this village. Mrs Pratt left Monday to attend the funeral which was held Tuesday afternoon. In addition to the two daughters there are 15 grand-children, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Dean's Rheumatic Pills absolutely cure theumatism & neuralgia. Entirely vegetable & non-poisonous. "Neglected colds make fat graveyards." Dr Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age.

DARLING SAVED IT.

Several Hundred Thousand Dollars Worth of Powder Saved.

HAD BEEN CONDEMNED.

Acting Secretary of the Navy had it Re-examined and It Was Found To Be All Right.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Darling saved several hundred thousand dollars worth of government powder from being destroyed recently. The story as told by the New York Herald is as follows:—

\$40,000 worth of smokeless ammunition was thrown overboard from the battleship Olympia off the Gulf coast of Honduras last March, because it was supposed to be defective.

All the ships of the North Atlantic fleet, including the Olympia, were freshly supplied with ammunition before the last winter manoeuvres. At that time a rumor became current in the Navy Department that more than \$500,000 worth of defective ammunition had been taken aboard the fleet. It was officially denied.

While cruising in the Caribbean, the officers of the Olympia suspected that a portion of the magazines was defective. The Board applied prescribed tests, which, it was believed, showed that the ammunition was defective. Therefore it was thrown into the sea. The report at the Navy Department caused a stir. The officials realized that if the ammunition on the Olympia was defective, there was probably several thousand dollars worth of bad ammunition in the North Atlantic fleet.

Acting secretary Darling directed Lieut W. O. Chance and Mr Patterson powder chemists at the Indian Head proving station, to go to Pensacola to meet the Olympia and subject to thorough tests such small quantities of ammunition remaining as they could find. They did so and found that the powder was not defective.

As a result of the incident, the heat test of powder on shipboard will be discontinued and only a litmus paper test will be made afloat. The heat test is so delicate that it cannot always be successfully conducted by a person other than a chemist.

GREEN MOUNTAIN VALLEY SHAFTSBURY.

Clifford Harrington is ill. S. D. Munroe has commenced his work in this place. B. C. Adams has been on the sick list the past week.

Miss Blossom T. Harrington is visiting at South Shaftsbury.

David Hill and wife were in Bennington on business the past week.

Mrs. D. P. Mattison and Paul M. Jay called on friends in Bennington Monday.

Mrs Martin Green has been confined to the house the past week with a severe attack of la Grippe.

Truman T. Elwell and wife visited their daughter, Mrs. Nelson Mattison at Bennington the past week.

Herbert Elwell met with a severe accident Sunday, while at Hoosick. Dr. J. B. Woodhull is attending him.

Mrs. Olive Green has returned from Bennington. She visited a week there with her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Mattison, and sister, Mrs. Luther Burt.

Alfred Green saw a bear in his pasture, about half a mile from his house. He says he could easily have shot him if he had had his gun with him. The bear trotted leisurely for the mountain.

Helen, little daughter of Eugene Lyons and wife, died Sunday evening, May 17, aged one year and eight months. She was ill only one day. She was a very active, bright little child, a plaything for all. Their home will be very lonely without little Helen. The funeral was held at their home Wednesday afternoon, the interment being at Bennington in the family lot.

Miss Laura Bigger, who was here a few years ago in "A Trip to Chinatown," has recently settled with the Millionaire Bennett estate for the sum of \$630,000. Miss Katherine Germain, who played here in "The Fencing Master," committed suicide last Tuesday evening.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for in the post office for the week ending May 18:—Jas F. Farren, J. J. Houghton, W. H. Merrill, Jas K. Martin, Melvin E. Tolman, (2), Walter Walker, Chas Chase, Geo Allen, Miss Mary Campbell, Mrs Chas McKee, Miss Fanny Phalan.

David Noron of Poughkeepsie, for 12 years a resident of the village, is visiting his friends here. Mr. Noron will be 89 years of age Saturday, but is unusually sprightly and young for a man of his age.

LINCOLN AS IN LIFE.

Benjamin Chapin's Wonderful and Dramatic Personation.

The above heading appeared in the Boston Herald after Mr Chapin's second portrayal of Lincoln in Chickering hall. The article went on to show how the spectators felt that they had actually seen and heard the martyr president.

Mr Chapin's makeup as he comes upon the stage is startling in its resemblance to the Lincoln we have seen in picture. The actor's facial resemblance and stature contribute to his histrionic ability and command of voice. The audience sees the great American as he looked, as he talked, as he laughed over his stories, as he suffered, as he made history. The Herald says:

"Mr Chapin, by his manipulation of one's fancy, transforms the platform into the White House, the cabinet room and the war office, and peoples the stage with many well known individuals. Now the President sits with



his family and reads to his wife; he intercedes for little Tad, who now and then tugs at his coat-tails; again he is wielding his cabinet, army officers and soldiers, reconciling Stanton and Fighting Joe Hooker; receiving delegations, arguing with them, telling them stories; another time he is talking with a sentry, and then realistically he is addressing the people summoned to the White House windows by the art of the actor.

"From a standpoint of dramatic literature and from a presentation of historical mimicry embellished by extraordinary histrionic power, one is seldom privileged to see such an impressive scene as that utilized for the end of the entertainment. This is Lincoln's narration of his prophetic dream in which he foretells his assassination. Dressed for the theatre, he receives a colonel who wishes to furnish him with military protection. He regards the precaution as a use of soldiers who can better be commissioned elsewhere, but he describes the dream. Wrapped in his long black evening cloak, from which his black eye-sockets furnish a death's head and his long bony hands make impressive gestures, he describes the dream of hearing the city in lamentation and a corpse in the White House. Finishing the dream, he takes up the pardon for a boy that Stanton would have hanged, and leaves with a cherry good night, to sleep, as he says, the sounder for his mercy.

It seems that no more fitting evening for this Lincoln portrayal could have been found than May 29. It will be a fitting introduction to the services of Memorial day. The young men who bring Mr Chapin to Bennington have the thanks of our citizens for giving us this opportunity of seeing this novel and soul stirring personation of the man whose many sided greatness will ever appeal to true Americans.

Rev. Mr. Torer is attending the Baptist Anniversary Meeting in Buffalo.

The Putnam House is having a number of improvements and additions to the interior, which will add greatly to the convenience of that well known hotel.

At the banquet given to the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows at Enosburg Falls Tuesday evening, H. L. Stillman of this place was one of the postprandial speakers.

Reports from Hoosick Falls, Shaftsbury, Manchester and other nearby places are to the effect that all were visited with hard thunder storms Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs Geo. F. Wood has been in Woodford this week, where considerable repairs are being made to her summer cottage before occupying it for the summer.

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REDUCED SIX HOURS.

All the Local Mills Go on Ten Hour Schedule

BEGINNING JUNE FIRST

Employers Cordially Grant Request of Their Employees for 60 Hour Week Instead of 66 as Now.

Through an amicable agreement entered into by the local mill owners and their employees, all the mills will reduce the hours of labor June 1 to 60 hours per week instead of 66, as in the past.

At a largely attended meeting of mill employees Tuesday evening the replies from the mill owners were received granting the requests and being warmly applauded. At the Tiffany mill the employees also get a half holiday Saturday, while at the other mills they will work until 4.30.

The meeting extended a vote of thanks to the mill owners and also to the committee which had been so successful in its efforts.

FOR CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

Tallest Man in Bennington County Arrested at Peru.

Samuel Abbott was arrested last week, charged with criminal assault on Edith Harris, aged 12 years. The offense is said to have been committed in Landgrove.

Taken before Justice Mark B. Lyon, Abbott waived examination and was put under bonds for appearance before the grand jury.

Abbott is said to be the tallest man in Bennington county, being six feet six in his stockings and as thin as the proverbial rail.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS.

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly For Busy Readers.

H. N. Williams returned Wednesday from a trip to Burlington, Montpelier and Waterbury.

Mrs J. S. Hutton and sons of Chicago are visiting Mrs H. N. Williams, who is an aunt of Mrs Hutton.

Mr and Mrs C. D. Gibson returned last evening from a two weeks visit to their daughter in Portsmouth, N. H.

Mrs Lowrie and daughter returned last evening from Needham, Mass., where they were called two weeks ago by the serious illness of Mrs Sutton, another daughter of Mrs Lowrie. She is much improved.

MANCHESTER

P. H. Orvis of New York was here over Sunday.

Miss Sara Williams of Rensselaer, N. Y. is visiting Mrs E. C. Perkins. Dr. Clark Burnham and wife of Brooklyn are expected to arrive Monday to spend the season here.

Recent contributions to the Burr and Burton endowment fund include one of \$500 from J. N. Hard, and one of \$100 from Mrs. E. B. Burton.

Alexander Campbell, who is largely engaged in the cattle growing business in Nebraska, has been spending several days with his sister, Mrs. Loveland Monson.

The prospects for a lively season at the Equinox House are good, and it will open for the fifty-first time June 17. The Equinox cottage has had all the guests it could accommodate for some time.

The following have opened their cottages for the summer: Miss Emma Thorne, the Misses Isbarn, Mrs B. F. Carver, Mrs Arthur Taylor. Several more cottages are expected next week.

Captain Thomas of Dorset, the magician and hypnotist, will give an entertainment for the benefit of the senior class of Burr and Burton Seminary at the Seminary chapel Friday evening.

The Burr and Burton Seminary baseball team was defeated at Castleton, 18 to 1. The only run made by the home team was scored in the first inning. The students batted well, but not at critical times. The large number of runs scored by the home team was due to the weakness of the senior pitchers. The Seminary team has been disbanded, but a team has been organized which is the same as the Seminary team with the exception of one player. The team will play the East Arlington team Saturday.

Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates and can safely be given to children. Quilman's Pharmacy.

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THE TABARD INN.

Splendid Opportunity for Lovers of Good Books.

Bennington book-lovers are this year to have the best opportunity in their lives to get some high class reading matter at a nominal cost, arrangements being made to locate here a branch of the Tabard Inn, which is a part of the largest system of circulating libraries in the world.

In order to secure here a branch of the Tabard Inn, it is necessary to secure subscribers at \$1.50 each. This will insure the sending here 150 books to start, with additions each month during the year. These books include all the latest and best fiction and with a few good selections of history, biography, travel, etc. All the books are new and clean.

In addition to his or her subscription the subscriber buys book exchange checks, six for 25 cents, entitling him to take books and retain them as long as he chooses. Each member is entitled to an out of services check which privileges him to take book from other Tabard Inn libraries wherever he may be.

It is altogether a plan whereby Bennington people can get an opportunity to read all the new and latest books of merit at a cost very much less than is any other way, and there ought to be enough interest here to get several hundred subscribers. For further information inquire of J. M. Ayres.

SHAKESPEARIAN DRAMA.

Miss Elsie Leslie's Production of "The Taming of the Shrew."

The production of Shakespeare's comedy, "The Taming of the Shrew," at the Opera House Monday evening, was remarkable in several respects. Miss Elsie Leslie has a greater amount of the artistic sense and temperament than any actress yet seen here.

She fills the mind of her audience with the greatest realization of the character she is impersonating, she proves that a pound of Shakespeare is worth a ton of the later-day drama, the method of her art never becomes so apparent that its intrusion dispels the illusion, and nature has endowed her with a beauty of voice, figure and feature which far exceeds that of any artist who has before appeared on the local stage. Miss Leslie is still a very young woman and the study, which it is apparent that she has devoted to her art, assures for her a highly successful career.

Jefferson Winter, whose father is one of the greatest Shakespearian critics of his own or any other time, "will, in the judgment of the writer, accomplish great things within the next 15 years of his life. His "Petruchio" was finished, acolytically and intelligent. When the raging, untamed Kate of the first act became the tamed and lovable Katharine of the last, many a hen-pecked husband, who came alone to the play, wished his stonary mate were present that she too might see the error of her ways. We congratulate the Benningtonians who attended for those who did not, we are sorry.

WEST ARLINGTON

C. H. Buck comes to the front with a new road wagon.

Mrs Frank Smith is visiting her people in Rensselaer.

Mrs Erank Tift left on Tuesday to join her husband in New York.

C. E. Buck and wife of Manchester passed Saturday and Sunday with relatives.

Mrs C. A. Derrick of Shushan is with the family of H. G. Buck for a few weeks.

Mr and Mrs C. W. Sherman of West Rupert were at R. G. McKee's on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Fred Maynard were guests of R. G. McKee and family one day last week.

Emerson Horton has returned from a few weeks sojourn with his children and is at his old home.

Guy Smith has been quite lame from the effects of an accident, caused by his horse backing off a bank.

H. T. Eaton left on Friday for Seymour, Ct., to do cemetery work.

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